

**BRITISH
ARCHAEOLOGICAL
ASSOCIATION**

**ROMANESQUE AND THE MEDITERRANEAN
Monday 16th April - Wednesday 18th April 2012**



**A Three-Day International Conference concerned with
Romanesque, Byzantium and Islam. There is also an opportunity
to stay on for two days of visits to medieval sites in and around
Palermo from 19-20 April.**

The British Archaeological Association is organising the second in a biennial series of international conferences concerned with Romanesque art and architecture. This conference, *Romanesque and the Mediterranean*, aims to examine points of contact between the Latin West and the Byzantine and Islamic worlds in the 11th and 12th centuries. This took many forms, from the widespread importation of artefacts - textiles, ceramics, ivories and metalwork for the most part - to a specific desire to recruit eastern artists or emulate eastern Mediterranean forms and buildings, particularly those in Jerusalem. Crusading themes are important, as are commercial and artistic contacts with the southern Mediterranean, and the conference includes papers on interactions between Islamic and Christian cultures in Spain and North Africa, as well as in the eastern Mediterranean.

Speakers include: Maria Andaloro, Claude Andraut-Schmitt, Francesca Anzelmo, Rosa Bacile, Martin Biddle, Gerardo Boto, Caroline Bruzelius, Jordi Camps, Manuel Castiñeiras, Eric Fernie, Jaroslav Folda, Ludovico Geymonant, Eva Hoffman, Jeremy Johns, Mark Johnson, Hugh Kennedy, John McNeill, Tom Nickson, Dulce Ocón, Mariam Rosser-Owen, Bela Szakacs, William Tronzo, Rose Walker, Ittai Weinryb and Ethel Sara Wolper.

A third conference will be held in Spring, 2014 at the Museum of Catalan Art (MNAC) in Barcelona.

CONFERENCE

The conference will open at 10.00 on Monday, 16 April with lectures in the University of Palermo lecture theatre in the Botanical Gardens. Teas, coffees and lunch will be provided on all three days, in addition to dinners on two evenings and a drinks reception on the third. More information will be provided in the Joining Instructions to be sent out in February. Participants will need to organize their own travel and accommodation. Information on accommodation in Palermo is available on a number of internet sites, or email Rosa Bacile on rosa.bacile@talk21.com for a list of hotels.

VISITS

The BAA will also organise two days of visits to Romanesque buildings for those who wish to stay on. These include Santa Maria dell'Ammiraglio, San Cataldo, the Cathedral and La Zisa in Palermo, as well as the cathedrals of Monreale and Cefalù, and will take place on Thursday, 19 and Friday, 20 April.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A limited number of scholarships for students are available to help cover the cost of the conference. Please apply by **10 November 2011**, attaching a short CV along with the name and contact details of one referee. Applications should be sent to the conference convenor: rosa.bacile@talk21.com

It would not have been possible to mount this conference without the support of John Osborn. The BAA wishes to take this opportunity to thank him for his generosity and for his continuing commitment to the promotion of scholarship in Romanesque studies.

Conference Convenor: Rosa Bacile

The conference welcomes professional and amateur enthusiasts.

The BAA is a Registered Charity (no. 1014821) and a company limited by guarantee and registered in England.

Romanesque and the Mediterranean: Conference Booking Form

NB - This booking form is intended for continental European and North American applicants only. A separate booking form for UK applicants and members of the BAA will be posted in late September, 2011. You may send the complete booking form as an email attachment to John McNeill at jsmcneill@btinternet.com

Name:

Mr Mrs Ms Miss Dr Professor

Contact address:

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e-mail address:

Professional position for conference register:

Conference fee (16-18 April, 2012): £220

Includes all lectures, teas/coffees, lunches, two dinners and one reception

Visits fee (19-20 April, 2012) £60

Includes admission charges, donations and coaches to La Zisa, Monreale and Cefalu.

Payment can be made from Euro or Dollar denominated accounts via PayPal. To do so, simply send an email to John McNeill on jsmcneill@btinternet.com indicating you wish to attend the conference. You will then be sent a request for payment with details of the British Archaeological Association's PayPal account, and instructions as to how to pay.

Any special dietary requirements?

Any special requirements/disabled access?

You can also send this completed booking form by post, together with a self-addressed envelope at least 162mm x 229mm: A5 to

John McNeill, 18 Stanley Road, Oxford OX4 1QZ, United Kingdom

Deadline is 30 November 2011

The final programme and details of how to get to the various lecture theatres will be sent out in late February.